

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-18, 20, 22, 25-27, 29, 31, 34-36, 38 and 40 are pending.

Objection to claims 3 & 5 as being rejected upon a base claim is acknowledged. Applicant has canceled all the pending claims and rewritten claims 3 & 5 in independent form as claims 64 & 72, respectively, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Newly presented claims 65-71 & 73-79 contain the subject matter previously presented in claims 2, 4, 6, and 60-63.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the application stands in condition for allowance. The Examiner's further consideration and favorable action are respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,



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